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		<i>First Inventor</i> Brian W. Brandner et al
		<i>Title</i> Method and Apparatus ...
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1053	130	1053 130 Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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1251	110	2251 55 Extension for reply within first month	
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1401	320	2401 160 Notice of Appeal	
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1403	280	2403 140 Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
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1501	1,300	2501 650 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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1809	750	2809 375 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
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Total Claims	23	-20** = 3	X 18	= 54
Independent Claims	2	- 3** = 0	X	=
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Fee from Extra Claims below

Fee Paid

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1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20
1201 84	2201 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 280	2203 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 84	2204 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
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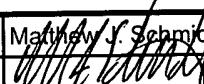
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Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing is a new patent application entitled

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAKING A BLOW MOLDED FUEL TANK

This application is being filed pursuant to the revised Rules of Practice effective February 27, 1983 by the undersigned attorney of the applicants. It is respectfully requested that this application be assigned a filing date of September 3, 2003 pursuant to the "Express Mail" (EV 332498038 US) provision of 37 C.F.R. §1.10 as amended.

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We await receipt of a filing date and serial number for this application.


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